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FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES IN ANDHRA PRADESH
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey in Andhra Pradesh for assessment and development of food processing industries during the last six months;

(b) if so, the details of potential in the State with regard to food processing sector;

(c) whether any food parks are proposed to be set up in Andhra Pradesh;and

(d) if so,the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (I/C) (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAI)

(a) to (d): The Government has conducted a survey to assess the feasibility of establishing Mega Food Park in Andhra Pradesh in the year 2007-08 which is essentially aimed at attracting entrepreneurs to invest in food processing sector by providing modern infrastructure.Andhra Pradesh has good potential for food processing industries based on the production of raw materials like fruits and vegetables,grains,oilseeds,poultry,fish etc. Based on the above survey,Chittoor District in the State has been identified as location for establishing one Mega Food Park.This Mega Food Park envisages to have an investment of about Rs.114 crore in common facilities and expected to leverage an investment about of Rs.218 crore in processing units.It is estimated that an annual turnover of about Rs.540 crore will be generated by the above Mega Food Park and will create approximately 45,000 employment opportunities (both direct & indirect).